



**April is Keep Los Gatos Beautiful Month!**  
**Help celebrate our beautiful community by participating in  
the following 2005 planned events:**

*Keep Los Gatos Beautiful 2005 is dedicated to the memory of  
Shirley Henderson, a longtime Los Gatos volunteer.*

**Farmers' Market**

***Located on Montebello Way at the  
corner of Main Street and North  
Santa Cruz Avenue***

Visit the following exhibits:

Sunday, April 3

- West Valley Clean Water Program

Sunday, April 10

- Youth Science Institute

Sunday, April 17

- Santa Clara County Home Composting Education Program

Sunday, April 24

- Santa Clara County Household Hazardous Waste Program and Thermometer Exchange (*Come to this thermometer exchange with your mercury thermometer in a plastic Ziploc type bag and receive a Free non-mercury thermometer in return*).

**Earth Day**

**Friday, April 22**

- Earth Day giveaways will be available during the month of April at the Los Gatos Library, 110 E. Main Street.

**Arbor Day**

**Friday, April 29 at 12:00 pm**

Enjoy an Arbor Day and Tree City USA - 25th year celebration, refreshments, and tree planting ceremony at Oak Meadow Park. Special performance by the Los Gatos-Monte Sereno Police Pipe and Drum Band. Contact Parks and Public Works at (408) 399-5776.

**Los Gatos High School  
Campus Clean-up Day**

**Saturday, April 23 from 9:00-12:00**

Help the Los Gatos High School Interact Club & Rotary Club weed, plant flowers, wash windows, and do a variety of other activities at the school. Bring your own gardening gloves and tools. Contact Tonya McQuade, LGHS, Interact Club & Rotary Club at 408/354-2730 x368.

**Graffiti Abatement**

Call the Police Department's Graffiti Hotline at (408) 354-6863 to report graffiti in Town.

**Park & Trail Cleanup**

Interested in adopting a Los Gatos Park or Trail? Or, would you like to help spruce up our local parks and creek trails in April? For more information, contact the Los Gatos Department of Parks and Public Works at (408) 399-5776.

**For More Information**

- Town of Los Gatos website: [www.losgatosca.gov](http://www.losgatosca.gov)
- Santa Clara County (SCC) Home Composting Education Program and Waste Reduction Program: (408) 918-4640 or [www.reducewaste.org](http://www.reducewaste.org)
- Santa Clara County Household Hazardous Waste Program: (408) 299-7300 or [www.hhw.org](http://www.hhw.org)
- Santa Clara County Center for Development of Recycling: (800) 533-8414 or [www.recyclestuff.org](http://www.recyclestuff.org)
- Youth Science Institute: (408) 356-4945 or [www.ysi-ca.org](http://www.ysi-ca.org)
- Los Gatos Parks and Trails: [www.losgatosca.gov/services/6b4.html](http://www.losgatosca.gov/services/6b4.html)
- Town of Los Gatos Recycling Coordinator: (408) 399-5796
- Green Valley Disposal Company: (408) 354-2100 or [www.greenvalley.com](http://www.greenvalley.com)
- West Valley Clean Water Program: (408) 354-4734 or [www.cleancreeks.org](http://www.cleancreeks.org)
- Earth 911: [www.earth911.com](http://www.earth911.com)
- E-waste Recycling: [www.erecycle.org](http://www.erecycle.org)
- Chamber of Commerce Beautification Committee: (408) 354-9300

**Community Garage Sale**

Save **May 14** for the Community wide Garage Sale. Call (408) 399-5796 or visit the "What's New" section of the Town's Website: [www.losgatosca.gov](http://www.losgatosca.gov)



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## Frequent Bicycle Rewards Program Help Reduce Vehicle Emissions

New this year is a program to help reduce vehicle emissions. Participate in the Town of Los Gatos Frequent Bicycle Rewards Program, and help clean the air during the months of April- November by changing your transportation mode. Sign-up to ride your bicycle in town for shopping, work, school, visiting, etc., instead of driving a vehicle to your destination. Participants must have a drivers license and be either residents of Los Gatos, employed by a Los Gatos business, or a student at a Los Gatos school. Vouchers will be issued for the number of times the bike is used in place of the car, and will be redeemable for VTA passes, Caltrain passes or bicycle equipment. This program is funded by a

Transportation for Clean Air grant. For program details, contact 399-5776 or "Keep Los Gatos Beautiful" on the Town's website [www.losgatosca.gov](http://www.losgatosca.gov), under "What's New!"

## Thermometer Exchange

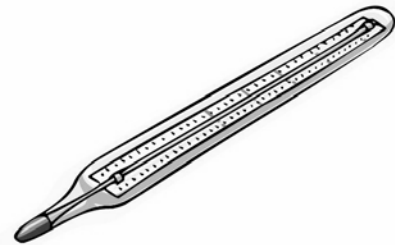
Come to this thermometer exchange with your mercury thermometer in a **plastic Ziploc type bag** and receive a **FREE** non-mercury thermometer in return.

**Sunday, April 24, 2005**

**8:30am – 1:00pm**

**Los Gatos Farmers Market @ Town Plaza**

(W. Main St. & N. Santa Cruz Ave)



## Junk Mail Multiplying Like Rabbits?

Every year, junk mail is responsible for creating four million tons of unnecessary waste. In fact, three percent of America's landfill space is occupied by discarded junk mail, with 44 percent of it being thrown in the trash unopened and unread. Millions of our tax dollars are being wasted on disposal fees every single year due to huge amounts of junk mail. In addition to that, 28 billion gallons of water are used every year, just to make the paper that junk mail is printed on.

Do yourself a favor, get rid of your unwanted catalogs, coupon mailers, contest notices, fundraisers, and other junk mail Now! Get a Junk Mail Reduction Kit today and learn how to reduce the amount of junk mail that you receive at your home.

*Click here for the Junk Mail Kit (PDF)*, or contact Lauren Mende Tacké, Town of Los Gatos Recycling Coordinator, at 408 399-5796 or [ltacke@losgatosca.gov](mailto:ltacke@losgatosca.gov).

## Hillbrook School Butterfly and Nutrition Garden Needs Volunteer Chefs

The Hillbrook School students have planted a Butterfly and Nutrition Garden to help motivate students to choose to eat healthy fruits and vegetables they are growing and studying. Hillbrook school is looking for Chefs to prepare tasty, nutritional treats for the students this Spring. To view the gardens and/or to volunteer, please contact Elizabeth Leslie @ 356-6116 x. 505, or email [eleslie@hillbrook.org](mailto:eleslie@hillbrook.org).

Contact your local school for volunteer opportunities.